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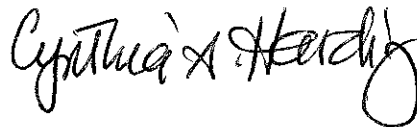
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August 23, 2013

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM:  Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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SUBJECT: **NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT
TWO LETTERS OF ALLOCATION FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES – CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES
BRANCH TO PROVIDE PEDIATRIC PALLIATIVE CARE CASE
MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on October 4, 2011, to accept future awards and/or amendments that are consistent with the requirements of the California Department of Health Care Services Letter of Allocation (LOA) for the term of October 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, that extend the term through June 30, 2015, subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept: 1) a LOA in the amount of \$162,000 for the period of July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013; and 2) a LOA in the amount of \$140,000, for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. These funds enable the Department of Public Health (DPH) to provide Pediatric Palliative Care (PPC) services to California Children's Services (CCS) eligible patients in the California Children's Services (CCS) program, which is administered in Los Angeles County by DPH. PPC provides diagnostic and treatment services, medical case management, and physical and occupational therapy services to children under age 21 with State CCS-eligible medical conditions. PPC services help ensure comprehensive, comfort-oriented, educational care for patients that enhances quality of life, minimizes suffering, relieves causes of distress, and provides emotional support through interdisciplinary services and interventions.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved the LOAs as to use and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
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